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	5	European Search Report issued on EP 03 07 7665 dated January 27, 2004
	6	International Search Report issued on PCT/EP2004/008254 dated January 12, 2004

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